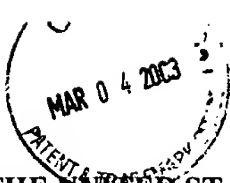


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

This response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 12, 2002 is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from December 12, 2003 to March 12, 2003.

Also enclosed is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3), as well as the appropriate fee, to enter an additional claim of priority for the present application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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